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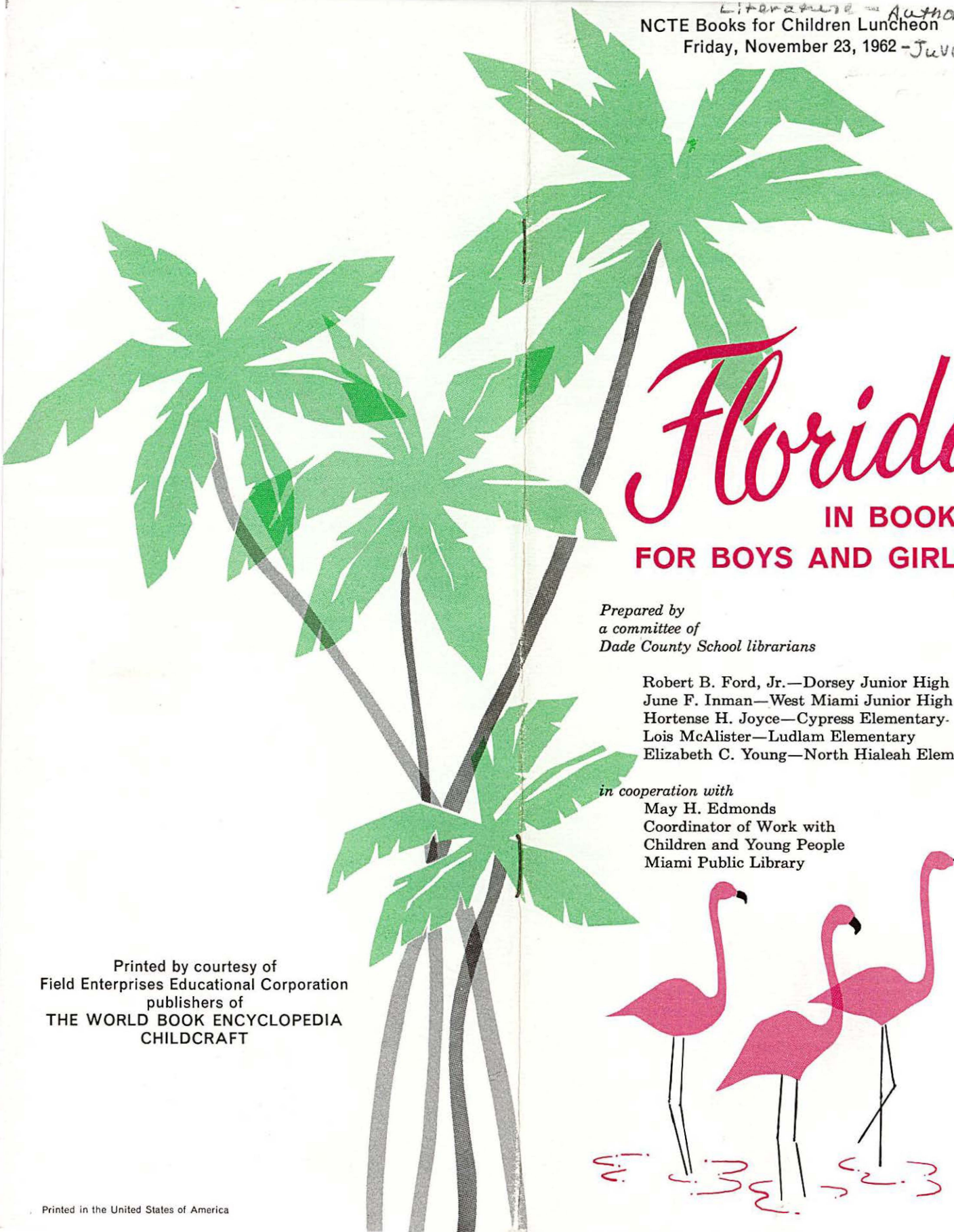

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FLORIDA FACTS

So many families in Florida come from other parts of the country that there is a constant curiosity about all aspects of the state. There is a special need for material at the fourth and seventh grade levels, where projects on Florida usually occur in the curriculum, so we have indicated books for younger and older readers.

FOR OLDER READERS

FLORIDA SEA SHELLS, by Bertha Aldrich and Ethel Snyder. Houghton, 1936

FLORIDA WILD FLOWERS, by Mary F. Baker. Macmillan, 1952

ST. JOHNS: A PARADE OF DIVERSITIES, by James B. Cabell. Holt, 1943
A volume in the Rivers of America series.

HANDBOOK OF FLORIDA FLOWERS, by Lucille Caterson. St. Petersburg, Great Outdoors Association, 1957

FLORIDA, THE LAND OF ROMANCE, by Dorothy Dodd. Tallahassee, Dept. of Agriculture, 1956

EVERGLADES, RIVER OF GRASS, by Marjory S. Douglas. Rinehart, 1947

BIRDS IN FLORIDA, by the Florida Dept. of Agriculture. Tampa, Florida Growers Press, 1951*

THE FLORIDA HANDBOOK, compiled by Allen Morris. Issued biannually. Tallahassee, Peninsular Pub. Co.

FLORIDA: WEALTH OR WASTE? Prepared under the direction of Henry F. Becker. Tallahassee, Dept. of Education, 1955

FLORIDA FISH AND FISHING, by Philip Francis. Macmillan, 1955

FLIGHT INTO OBLIVION, by Alfred J. Hanna. Indiana Univ., 1959
The efforts of Florida members of the Confederate Cabinet to escape through Florida after the surrender at Appomattox.

FLORIDA'S GOLDEN SANDS, by Alfred J. and Kathryn A. Hanna. Bobbs, 1950
"The Florida East Coast; its unfoldment as a region."

HANDBOOK OF FLORIDA INSECTS AND THEIR CONTROL, by Lewis S. Maxwell. St. Petersburg, Great Outdoors Association, 1959

FLORIDA UNDER FIVE FLAGS, by Rembert W. Patrick. 3rd ed. Gainesville, Univ. of Florida, 1960
Brief interpretative account of the growth of Florida from 1513. Reproductions of old maps, etchings, and paintings.

THE UNCONQUERED SEMINOLE INDIANS, by I. E. Peithmann. St. Petersburg, Great Outdoors Association, 1957

EVERGLADES: THE PARK STORY, by William B. Robertson. Univ. of Miami, 1959
Geology, history, vegetation, wildlife of this distinctive region and how the elements and people affected it.

SUBTROPICAL GARDENING IN FLORIDA, by Nixon Smiley. Univ. of Miami, 1957

FLORIDA, A WAY OF LIFE, by Mike Smith, pseud. Dutton, 1959

A DICTIONARY OF TREES, by Fred Walden. St. Petersburg, Great Outdoors Association, 1958

THE BOOK OF KEY BISCAYNE, by Jim Woodman, being the romance of Cape Florida and containing the chronicle of the island from aboriginal days to the present. Miami, Hurricane House, 1961

FOR YOUNGER READERS

PICTURE BOOK OF FLORIDA, by Bernadine Bailey. Whitman, 1948
Brief survey of the state pictures important attractions.

THE SEMINOLE INDIANS, by Sonia Bleeker. Morrow, 1954
Origin and history of the Florida Seminole is explained as author tells the story of Osceola and the Seminole Wars.

FABULOUS FLORIDA, Florida's story for children, by Ruby Leach Carson. Dallas, Tex., Manfred, Van Nort & Co., 1942*

LA FLORIDA, ITS LAND AND PEOPLE, by Leeila S. Copeland and J. E. Dovell. Austin, Tex., Steck Co., 1957

THE FISHERMAN AND HIS BOAT, by Louise L. Floethe, with pictures by Richard Floethe. Scribner, 1961
Lovely picture book view of the islands and keys off the West Coast and the way the fisherman makes his living.

THE STORY OF FLORIDA, by May Y. McNeer, with lithographs by C. H. DeWitt. Harper, 1947*

OUR FLORIDA GOVERNMENT, by Allen C. Morris. Chicago, Lyons and Carnahan, 1961

SEA AND SUNSHINE—THE SOUTH ATLANTIC STATES, by Dorothy Wood. Children's, 1962

THE AMERICAN SOUTHEAST: A GUIDE TO FLORIDA AND NEARBY SHORES, by Herbert S. Zim. Golden, 1958

A GUIDE TO EVERGLADES NATIONAL PARK AND THE NEARBY FLORIDA KEYS, by Herbert S. Zim, with the cooperation of the Everglades National History Association. Golden, 1960

FLORIDA FICTION

There are many stories set in Florida. We have attempted to select some that have details of a particular place, time, or way of life.

FOR OLDER READERS

JOE PANTHER, by Zachary Ball, pseud. Holiday, 1950
A Seminole boy becomes the skipper of a Miami charter boat. The adventures of Joe Panther and his friend, Tiger Tail, are continued in *Swamp Chief*. Later books, *Skin Diver* and *Salvage Diver*, take the boat and its crew on skin diving assignments in the Bahamas and the Florida Keys.

WILDERNESS TEACHER, by Zachary Ball, pseud., and Myra Fowler. Rand, 1956
A young girl's adventures teaching in Coconut Grove of 1894.

THE BLUE WITCH, by Louis Capron. Holt, 1957
A colorful sailing adventure laid in Key West in the 1830s.

WHITE MOCCASINS, by Louis Capron. Holt, 1955
Jim journeys from Philadelphia in 1834 to find his uncle, a trapper, who was living among the Seminoles in the Florida territory.

ALLIGATOR CROSSING, by Marjory S. Douglas. Day, 1959
A Miami tenement boy is involved with outlaw alligator hunters in the Everglades National Park. Mature, well-plotted writing full of excellent nature lore.

FREEDOM RIVER; Florida, 1845, by Marjory S. Douglas. Scribner, 1953
The friendship and maturing of 3 teenaged friends —a white boy, an Indian and an escaped slave— in the Miami region.

CHUCK: A STORY OF THE FLORIDA PINELANDS, by Evelyn Elkins. Lippincott, 1953
Fourteen-year-old Chuck overcomes polio and the problems of growing up through his experiences with the wild creatures in North Florida.

PATRIOT SILVER, by Robert J. Green. St. Martin's, 1961
A Carolina boy's attempt to locate buried silver for Francis Marion to exchange for gunpowder leads to imprisonment in St. Augustine and later a daring escape from the Seminoles.

DAVEY, by Rubylea Hall. Duell, 1951
Getting an education was the most serious problem facing Davey, son of a poor Florida sharecropper.

FLAMINGO PRINCE, by Rubylea Hall. Duell, 1954
The boyhood of the great Indian leader, Osceola, who shrewdly defied the white man's unfair treaties and united the Indian tribes in Florida from 1832-1837.

STARRY ANSWER, by Mildred Lawrence. Harcourt, 1962
A high school girl learns to accept the "Missile Kids" in her beloved grove country near the bustling launch center.

THE PHANTOM DEER, by Joseph W. Lippincott. Lippincott, 1954
A boy becomes involved in the struggle for survival of the tiny deer on Big Pine Key.

THE WAHOO BOBCAT, by Joseph W. Lippincott. Lippincott, 1950
Fire, flood and human enemies disrupt the life of the big bobcat known in the swampland as the Tiger.

UP A CROOKED RIVER, by May Y. McNeer. Viking, 1952
Humorous and frightening experiences follow when four young children find themselves among 11 oddly assorted passengers of a river boat marooned in a drained Florida lake in the 1870's.

EVERGLADES ADVENTURE, by Stephen W. Meader. Harcourt, 1957
Toby Morgan's opportunity to work with the budding science of photography gives him new insights to nature study in the Everglades near Miami in the 1870s.

THE FLAMINGO FEATHER, by Kirk Munroe. St. Louis, Webster, 1949
Historical fiction in the old tradition, originally published in 1887, this concerns the period of exploration and the conflict between England and France.

THE THREE PEBBLES, by Richard Parker. McKay, 1956
Three teenage boys in the ill-fated French Huguenot expedition to Florida in the 1560s.

THE YEARLING, by Marjorie K. Rawlings. Scribner, 1961
Beautiful North Florida locale in classic story of a boy and his pet deer.

LOLLY TOUCHBERRY, by Laura J. C. Rendina. Little, 1957
A teenage girl on a West Coast key goes through the stages of young romance and growing up in a modern story.

MAN IN A CAGE, by Jackson V. Scholz. Morrow, 1957
Ted Kirby must decide between the thrills of being a circus lion tamer or a baseball catcher. Sarasota setting.

APALACHEE GOLD, by Frank G. Slaughter. Doubleday, 1954
Based on actual records, the story follows the exploration of the Spanish adventurer, Cabezo de Vaca, from the Florida coast to the West and down into Mexico.

KICK OF THE WHEEL, by Stewart Sterling, pseud. Prentice, 1957
Seventeen-year-old Mel works in his uncle's marina at Daytona Beach. Much information about boats and boating.

THE PLUME HUNTERS MYSTERY, by May N. Wallace. McKay, 1956
Locale is the site of Everglades National Park in 1916 when nature lovers attempted to protect the egrets from slaughter.

HURRICANE'S SECRET, by Richard Watkins. Harcourt, 1949
Two Miami boys encounter dangerous seas and unscrupulous men as they race a reconditioned schooner in search of treasure in the Bahamas.

THE LION'S PAW, by Robb White. Doubleday, 1946
Captiva Island sets the scene for an adventure concerning two runaways, a courageous boy, his missing father, and a rare sea shell.

FOR YOUNGER READERS

WHEN THE MOON IS NEW, by Laura Bannon. Whitman, 1953
The story of Rainbow and her family who live in a Seminole "chickee."

FREDDY GOES TO FLORIDA, by Walter R. Brooks. Knopf, 1949
Persuaded by a friendly swallow, the animals on the Bean farm decide to migrate. Discovery of a buried treasure adds to the excitement of the trip.

HURRICANE LUCK, by Carl L. Carmer. Dutton, 1949
A hurricane brings a change of luck and rewards Peter's efforts to help his father equip a fishing boat.

FORTUNE HILL, by Cora Cheney. Holt, 1956
Two young sisters visiting a plantation house in Northern Florida uncover the clue to gold hidden during the Civil War.

THE ROCKING CHAIR BUCK, by Cora Cheney. Holt, 1956
An easy-to-read story in which a 12-year-old boy of Northwest Florida proves he is a good sleuth and old enough to go deer hunting.

KITTEN ON THE KEYS, written and illustrated by Morgan Dennis. Viking, 1961
Captures Key West atmosphere in illustrations.

PELICAN PRILL, by Gloria Forsyth. Dutton, 1956
Raising a baby pelican provides happiness and adventure for 9-year-old Lindy.

PEDRO, A MYSTERY OF THE FLORIDAS, by Alice V. Hancock. Abelard, 1962
Courage of a Spanish boy who saves his father and sister from the Indians. Background information about the Yemassea, Timucuan and Apalache Indians and the St. Augustine region in the 1690s.

DAVY OF THE EVERGLADES, by Eleanor F. Lattimore. Morrow, 1949
Good Southern Florida background in an appealing, simple story. Other titles of interest by this author are *Indigo Hill* and *Lively Victoria.*

ONE HUNDRED WHITE HORSES, by Mildred Lawrence. Harcourt, 1953
The magic of Penny's counting 100 white horses brings prosperity to a little Indian River settlement in the 1880s. The author's INDIGO MAGIC is set in 1767 in East Florida, while SAND IN HER SHOES is a story of a modern tourist town.

STRAWBERRY GIRL, by Lois Lenski. Lippincott, 1945
A vivid, sympathetic picture of a fine Florida Cracker family in the early 1900s.

THE SECRET RIVER, by Marjorie K. Rawlings. Illustrated by Leonard Weisgard. Scribner, 1955
Just right format for a poetic story of little Calpurnia and Buggy-horse, her dog, as they find the "secret river" that helps to turn hard times into soft times.

TOMMY TIGER OF THE SEMINOLES, by Lucy Salamanca. Watts, 1961
Viewpoint of a present day Seminole boy perceptively given in this story of Everglades-bred Tommy Tiger, who comes to the Reservation and finds a new way of life.

THE LITTLE RED HORSE, by Ruth Sawyer. Viking, 1950
Through the magic of a beloved toy horse, Michael learns to love the life on a Florida island and to understand sacrifice.

THE LUCK OF THE GOLDEN CROSS, by Kathryn Vinson. Lippincott, 1960
An 11-year-old Greek-American boy in Tarpon Springs helps his father on a sponge fishing boat.

PELICAN HERE, PELICAN THERE, by Leonard Weisgard. Scribner, 1948*
A handsomely illustrated picture book about a Florida pelican.

TOPICS OF FLORIDA INTEREST

Some subjects of wide interest have such great regional appeal that we tend to regard them as Florida material.

SEA SHELLS OF THE WORLD, A GUIDE TO THE BETTER KNOWN SPECIES, by Robert T. Abbott. Golden, 1962

A DICTIONARY OF REPTILES, by Robert R. Allyn. 3rd ed. St. Petersburg, Great Outdoors Association, 1956

THE GULF STREAM, by Ruth Brindze. Vanguard, 1945

CHILDREN OF THE SEA, by Wilfred S. Bronson. Harcourt, 1940
Tale of a boy and a dolphin.

THE NEW SCIENCE OF SKIN AND SCUBA DIVING, by the Conference for National Cooperation in Aquatics. Association, 1962

HURRICANE, by Marjory S. Douglas. Rinehart, 1958

SANDPIPERS, by Edith T. Hurd. Crowell, 1961 *y*

STARFISH, by Edith T. Hurd. Crowell, 1962 *y*

ADVENTURES WITH REPTILES, the story of Ross Allen, by Clarence J. Hylander. Messner, 1951

CHILDREN OF THE BIG TOP, by Marian Murray. Little, 1958

COUNTDOWN: THE STORY OF CAPE CANAVERAL. Little, 1960

THE HURRICANE HUNTERS, by I. R. Tannehill. Dodd, 1955

FAMOUS PIRATES OF THE NEW WORLD, by A. B. C. Whipple. Random, 1958

ALLIGATORS AND CROCODILES, by Herbert S. Zim. Morrow, 1952 *y*

MEN WHO LEFT THEIR MARK

JOHN JAMES AUDUBON, by Margaret and John Kieran. Random, 1954

YOUNG THOMAS EDISON, by Sterling North. Houghton, 1958

PLANT EXPLORER, DAVID FAIRCHILD, by Beryl Williams and Samuel Epstein. Messner, 1961

FLORIDA'S FLAGLER, by S. W. Martin. Athens, Univ. of Georgia, 1949

ANDREW JACKSON, FRONTIER STATESMAN, by Clara I. Judson. Follett, 1954

WAR CHIEF OF THE SEMINOLES, by May Y. McNeer. Random, 1954
Osceola and the Seminole Wars.

JUAN PONCE DE LEON, by Nina B. Baker. Knopf, 1957 *y*

DE SOTO, FINDER OF THE MISSISSIPPI, by Ronald Syme. Morrow, 1957 *y*

*Out of print

y For younger readers